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Examining Group 2616

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Chris R. Zettinger, Mark Boduch and Robert R. Ward

Application No.: 10/606,948

Group: 2616

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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PROTECTION SWITCHING

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment After Final Rejection for filing in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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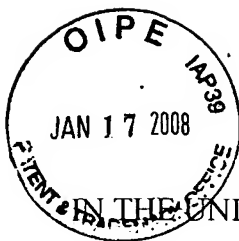
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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116**

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Sir:

This Amendment After Final Rejection is being filed in response to the Final Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 14, 2007 in the above-identified application. Because Applicants have filed this Amendment After Final Rejection within two months of the mailing date of the Final Office Action, Applicants respectfully request an Advisory Action. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

Please amend the application as follows: